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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order:
Adult and Family Services Division Records

Dear Ms. Fuller:

This letter is the Attorney General's order in response to your petition for disclosure of records under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.410 to 192.505.[1/] Your petition, which we received on April 27, 1994, asks the Attorney General to direct the Adult and Family Services Division to make available to you information about forming a Reducing Adolescent Pregnancy Project (RAPP) committee and "a sample of the support material provided to already formed RAPP committees." For the reasons that follow we respectfully deny your petition as moot.

The Public Records Law confers a right to inspect any public records of a public body in Oregon, subject to certain exemptions and limitations. However, the Attorney General may order a state agency to disclose records only where the agency first has denied a request for public records. ORS 192.450(1).

[1/] Although your letter to the Attorney General does not request any specific action from this office other than "review" and "guidance", we have liberally construed your letter as a petition for disclosure of public records.

Ruth Russell, AFS Program Specialist, informs us that the Adult and Family Services Division has agreed to provide the records you requested and will be forwarding them to you. Because the records you requested are being provided to you, your petition is denied as moot.

Sincerely,

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